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### BEFORE THE BOARD OF REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS

#### STATE OF IDAHO

In the Matter of the License of:	)
	) Case No. REA-2007-5
LAWRENCE P. BOLDT,	)
License No. CGA-233,	) STIPULATION AND
	) CONSENT ORDER
Respondent.	)
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WHEREAS, information having been received by the Idaho State Board of Real Estate Appraisers (hereinafter the "Board") which constitutes sufficient grounds for the initiation of an administrative action against Lawrence P. Boldt (hereinafter "Respondent"); and

WHEREAS, the parties mutually agree to settle the matter pending administrative Board action in an expeditious manner; now, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED between the undersigned parties that this matter shall be settled and resolved upon the following terms:

#### A.

- 1. The Board may regulate the practice of real estate appraising in the State of Idaho in accordance with title 54, chapter 41, Idaho Code.
- 2. Respondent Lawrence P. Boldt is a licensee of the Idaho State Board of Real Estate Appraisers and holds License No. CGA-233 to practice real estate appraising in the State of Idaho. Respondent's license is subject to the provisions of title 54, chapter 41, Idaho Code.
- 3. Appraisals in the State of Idaho must comply with the minimum standards set forth in the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practices ("USPAP").

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# COUNT ONE Investigation No. REA-L3-03-2006-3

- 4. On or about May 25, 2005, Respondent prepared an appraisal report for the property located at 94 East Fork Road in Blaine County, Idaho ("Subject Property #1").
- 5. Respondent's report for Subject Property #1 fails to meet the following requirements of applicable USPAP Standards (2005):
- a. <u>Standards 1-1(a), (b) and (c)</u>: Respondent did not employ the recognized methods and techniques that relate to data collection for the cost approach. Substantial errors were made in the collection, inspection and verification of data related to the subject and MLS sales data. The report was prepared in a careless and negligent manner and is misleading to the reader, and the end result of the errors is a report that is not credible.
- b. <u>Standard 1-2(f)</u>: Respondent did not identify the scope of work for the appraisal.
- c. <u>Standards 1-4(a) and (b)</u>: Data collection is incomplete for the cost analysis. Respondent relied on data located at an unspecified location in Marshall & Swift. Numerous errors and omissions occurred in analyzing and reporting the sales data. Adjustments are inconsistent and unsupported, and the development of the cost approach is not adequately supported in the report. Collectively, the errors and omissions create a report that is not credible.
- d. Standards 2-1(a), (b) and (c): Data utilized in the appraisal is incomplete and reporting errors have occurred throughout the report. The cost approach is unsupported in the cost new of the improvements and the estimated site value. The sales comparison approach is inconsistent in adjustments and amounts. A \$15-\$20 adjustment for differences in square footages is inconsistent with a \$210 per square foot construction cost. Only one adjustment in total for each comparable sale appears unreasonable. The difference in site values, from sizes of 1.28 acres to .21 acres when

the subject is .95 acres, was not addressed in the report.

e. <u>Reconciliation and Final Estimate of Value</u>: The report lacked sufficient information and analysis to be understood and properly supported. Respondent has not properly reconciled the quality and quantity of data which in the approaches utilized. The comments are very general (canned) and misleading to the reader.

# COUNT TWO Investigation No. REA-L3-03-2005-29

- 6. On or about March 1, 2005, Respondent prepared an appraisal report for the property located at 314 Elkhorn Road in Sun Valley, Idaho ("Subject Property #2").
- 7. Respondent's work file and report for Subject Property #2 fails to meet the following requirements of applicable USPAP Standards<sup>1</sup>:
- a. <u>Ethics Provision, Recordkeeping</u>: The work file does not contain sufficient information to support the findings and conclusions, and the cost approach is incomplete.
- b. Standards 1-1(a), (b) and (c): Respondent did not employ the recognized methods and techniques that relate to data collection for the cost approach. Substantial errors were made in the collection, inspection and verification of data related to the subject and MLS sales data. The report was prepared in a careless and negligent manner and is misleading to the reader, and the end result of the errors is a report that is not credible.
- c. <u>Standards 1-2(a) and (b)</u>: Copies of the report indicate two different clients, and Respondent could not explain why this occurred.
- d. <u>Standard 1-2(f)</u>: Respondent did not identify the scope of work for the appraisal.
  - e. <u>Standards 1-4(a) and (b)</u>: Data collection is incomplete for the cost

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See IDAPA 24.18.01.004 (2004) (adopting the 2003 edition of USPAP, effective 3/20/04 to 4/6/05); see also USPAP (2005). The Standards were comparable in the 2003 and 2005 USPAP editions.

analysis. Respondent relied on data located at an unspecified location in Marshall & Swift. Numerous errors and omissions occurred in analyzing and reporting the sales data. Adjustments are inconsistent and unsupported, and the development of the cost approach is not adequately supported in the report. Collectively, the errors and omissions create a report that is not credible.

- f. Standards 2-1(a), (b) and (c): Data utilized in the appraisal is incomplete and reporting errors have occurred throughout the report. The cost approach is unsupported in the cost new of the improvements.
- g. Reconciliation and Final Estimate of Value: The report lacked sufficient information and analysis to be understood and properly supported. Respondent has not properly reconciled the quality and quantity of data which in the approaches utilized. Respondent states that the "cost approach supported market approach" but the cost approach is 29% higher than the market approach. The comments are very general (canned) and misleading to the reader.

## COUNT THREE Investigation No. REA-L3-03-2005-11

- 8. On or about September 28, 2004, Respondent prepared an appraisal report for the property located at 301 Wall Street in Ketchum, Idaho ("Subject Property #3").
- 9. Respondent's work file and report for Subject Property #3 fails to meet the following requirements of applicable USPAP Standards <sup>2</sup>:
- a. <u>Ethics Provision, Recordkeeping</u>: The work file does not contain sufficient information to support the findings and conclusions, and the cost approach is incomplete.
- b. Standards 1-1(a), (b) and (c): Respondent did not employ the recognized methods and techniques that relate to data collection for the cost approach.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See IDAPA 24.18.01.004 (2004) (adopting the 2003 edition of USPAP, effective 3/20/04 to 4/6/05); see also USPAP (2004). The Standards were comparable in the 2003 and 2004 USPAP editions.

Substantial errors were made in the collection, inspection and verification of data related to the subject and MLS sales data. The report was prepared in a careless and negligent manner and is misleading to the reader, and the end result of the errors is a report that is not credible.

- c. <u>Standard 1-2(f)</u>: Respondent did not identify the scope of work for the appraisal.
- d. Standards 1-4(a) and (b): Data collection is incomplete for the cost analysis. Respondent relied on data located at an unspecified location in Marshall & Swift. Numerous errors and omissions occurred in analyzing and reporting the sales data. Adjustments are inconsistent and unsupported, and the development of the cost approach is not adequately supported in the report. Collectively, the errors and omissions create a report that is not credible.
- e. <u>Standards 2-1(a), (b) and (c)</u>: Data utilized in the appraisal is incomplete and reporting errors have occurred throughout the report. Pictures of the comparable sales identify the wrong properties. The cost approach is unsupported in the valuation of the land and the cost new of the improvements. Level 2 square footage is listed at one point as 2,226 but is not included at another point in the gross living area. No assumptions or hypothetical conditions concerning the construction of the subject were disclosed.
- f. Reconciliation and Final Estimate of Value: The report lacked sufficient information and analysis to be understood and properly supported. Respondent has not properly reconciled the quality and quantity of data in the approaches utilized. Respondent states that the "cost approach supported market approach" but the cost approach is 47% higher than the market approach. The comments are very general (canned) and misleading to the reader.
- 10. The above-stated allegations, if proven, would constitute a violation of the laws and rules governing the practice of real estate appraising, specifically Idaho Code

§ 54-4107(1)(e) and IDAPA 24.18.01.700. Violations of this law and rule would further constitute grounds for disciplinary action against Respondent's license to practice real estate appraising in the State of Idaho.

11. Respondent, in lieu of proceeding with a formal disciplinary action to adjudicate the allegations as set forth above, hereby admits the violations and agrees to the discipline against his license as set forth in Section C below.

B.

- I, Lawrence P. Boldt, by affixing my signature hereto, acknowledge that:
- 1. I have read and admit the allegations pending before the Board, as stated above in Section A. I further understand that these allegations constitute cause for disciplinary action upon my license to practice real estate appraising in the State of Idaho.
- 2. I understand that I have the right to a full and complete hearing; the right to confront and cross-examine witnesses; the right to present evidence or to call witnesses, or to so testify myself; the right to reconsideration; the right to appeal; and all rights accorded by the Administrative Procedure Act of the State of Idaho and the laws and rules governing the practice of real estate appraising in the State of Idaho. I hereby freely and voluntarily waive these rights in order to enter into this stipulation as a resolution of the pending allegations.
- 3. I understand that in signing this Stipulation and Consent Order I am enabling the Board to impose disciplinary action upon my license without further process.

C.

Based upon the foregoing stipulation, it is agreed that the Board may issue a decision and order upon this stipulation whereby:

- 1. Respondent shall pay to the Board an administrative fine in the amount of Two Thousand Two Hundred Fifty and No/100 Dollars (\$2,250.00) within sixty (60) days of the entry of the Board's Order.
  - 2. Respondent shall pay investigative costs and attorney fees in the amount of

Four Thousand Six Hundred Fifty and No/100 Dollars (\$4,650.00) within ninety (90) days of the entry of the Board's Order.

- 3. Respondent shall take the following courses from Board-approved providers within six (6) months from the date of entry of the Board's Order: (a) a basic or advanced residential sales comparison or evaluation course and (b) a 15-unit National USPAP course. Respondent shall take and pass any examinations given at the conclusion of the courses. Respondent shall submit proof of attendance and proof that he passed any given examinations within 30 days of attendance. If no examinations are given at the conclusion of the courses, Respondent shall submit a letter from the course instructors stating that no examinations were given. Said continuing education shall be in addition to any continuing education Respondent is required to obtain to maintain his license.
- 4. Respondent's License No. CGA-233 shall be placed on probation for a period of eighteen (18) months from the date of entry of the Board's Order. The conditions of probation are as follows:
- a. Respondent shall comply with all state, federal and local laws, rules and regulations governing the practice of real estate appraising in the State of Idaho.
- b. Respondent shall maintain a log of all appraisals completed on a form approved by the Board. A copy of the approved form is attached hereto. Respondent shall submit the completed form postmarked no later than the last day of each month to the Board at 1109 Main Street, Suite 200, Boise, Idaho 83702. The Board reserves the right to review any and all appraisal reports listed on the logs kept by Respondent. Failure to submit completed logs to the Board postmarked by the last day of each month may result in additional discipline, including revocation of licensure.
- c. Respondent shall inform the Board in writing of any change of place of practice or place of business within 15 days of such change.
- d. In the event Respondent should leave Idaho for three (3) continuous months, or to reside or practice outside of the state, Respondent must provide written

notification to the Board of the dates of departure, address of intended residence or place of business, and indicate whether Respondent intends to return. Periods of time spent outside Idaho will not apply to the reduction of this period or excuse compliance with the terms of this Stipulation.

- e. Respondent shall fully cooperate with the Board and its agents, and submit any documents or other information within a reasonable time after a request is made for such documents or information.
- f. Respondent shall make all files, records, correspondence or other documents available immediately upon the demand of any member of the Board's staff or its agents.
- 5. At the conclusion of the 18-month probationary period, Respondent may request from the Board reinstatement of License No. CGA-233 without restriction. Any request for reinstatement must be accompanied by written proof of compliance with the terms of this Stipulation and Consent Order. The Board retains discretion to grant reinstatement of Respondent's license or to deny reinstatement and continue the period of probation.
- 6. All costs associated with compliance with the terms of this Stipulation and Consent Order are the sole responsibility of Respondent.
- 7. The violation of any of the terms of this Stipulation and Consent Order by Respondent will warrant further Board action. The Board therefore retains jurisdiction over this proceeding until all matters are finally resolved as set forth in this Stipulation and Consent Order.

D.

1. It is hereby agreed between the parties that this Stipulation and Consent Order shall be presented to the Board with a recommendation for approval from the Deputy Attorney General responsible for prosecution before the Board at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board.

- 2. Respondent understands that the Board is free to accept, modify with Respondent's approval, or reject this settlement agreement, and if rejected by the Board, an administrative Complaint will be filed. By signing this document, Respondent waives any right Respondent may have to challenge the Board's impartiality to hear the allegations in the Complaint based on the fact that the Board has considered and rejected this settlement agreement. Pursuant to Idaho Code § 67-5252, Respondent retains the right to otherwise challenge the impartiality of any Board member to hear the allegations in the Complaint based upon bias, prejudice, interest, substantial prior involvement in the case or any other reason provided by law or for any cause for which a judge is or may be disqualified.
- 3. If the Board does not accept this Stipulation and Consent Order then, except for Respondent's waiver set forth in Paragraph D(2), above, it shall be regarded as null and void. Admissions by Respondent in the settlement agreement will not be regarded as evidence against Respondent at the subsequent disciplinary hearing.
- 4. With the exception of Paragraph D(2), above, which becomes effective upon Respondent signing this document, this Stipulation and Consent Order shall not become effective until it has been approved by a majority of the Board and endorsed by a representative member of the Board.
- 5. Any failure on the part of Respondent to timely and completely comply with any term or condition herein shall be deemed a default.
- 6. Any default of this Stipulation and Consent Order shall be considered a violation of Idaho Code § 54-4107. If Respondent violates or fails to comply with this Stipulation and Consent Order, the Board may impose additional discipline pursuant to the following procedure:
- a. The Chief of the Bureau of Occupational Licenses shall schedule a hearing before the Board to assess whether or not Respondent has defaulted under this agreement. The Chief shall also serve notice of the default hearing and charges to

Respondent and to Respondent's attorney, if any. Within twenty-one (21) days after the notice of default hearing and charges is served, Respondent shall submit a response to the allegations. If Respondent does not submit a timely response to the Board, the allegations of default will be deemed admitted.

- b. At the default hearing, the Board and Respondent may submit affidavits made on personal knowledge and present oral argument based upon the record in support of their positions. Unless otherwise ordered by the Board, the evidentiary record before the Board shall be limited to such affidavits and this Stipulation and Consent Order. Respondent waives a hearing before the Board on the facts and substantive matters related to the violations described in Section A, and waives discovery, cross-examination of adverse witnesses, and other procedures governing administrative hearings or civil trials.
- c. At the default hearing, the Board will determine whether to impose additional disciplinary action, which may include conditions or limitations upon Respondent's practice or suspension or revocation of Respondent's license.
- 7. This Stipulation and Consent Order is the resolution of a contested case and is a public record.
- 8. This Stipulation and Consent Order contains the entire agreement between the parties, and Respondent is not relying on any other agreement or representation of any kind, verbal or otherwise.

I have read the above stipulation fully and have had the opportunity to discuss it with legal counsel. I understand that by its terms I will be waiving certain rights accorded me under Idaho law. I understand that the Board may either approve this stipulation as proposed, approve it subject to specified changes, or reject it. I understand that, if approved as proposed, the Board will issue an Order on this stipulation according to the aforementioned terms, and I hereby agree to the above stipulation for settlement. I understand that if the Board approves this stipulation subject to changes, and the changes are acceptable to me, the stipulation will take effect and an order modifying the terms of the stipulation will be issued. If

the changes are unacceptable to me or the Board rejects this stipulation, it will be of no effect.

DATED this 15 day of march, 2007.

Lawrence P. Boldt Respondent

I concur in this stipulation and order.

DATED this 22 day of March, 2007.

STATE OF IDAHO
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Emily A. Mac Master
Deputy Attorney General

#### **ORDER**

Pursuant to Idaho Code § 54-4106, the foregoing is adopted as the decision of the Board of Real Estate Appraisers in this matter and shall be effective on the \(\frac{1}{2}\) day of \(\frac{1}{2}\), 2007. It is so ordered.

IDAHO STATE BOARD OF REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS

Paul J. Morgan, Chair

### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this	day of April, 2007, I caused to be
served a true and correct copy of the fe	oregoing by the following method to:
Lawrence P. Boldt 64 South 500 East Rupert, ID 83350	<ul> <li>✓ U.S. Mail</li> <li>☐ Hand Delivery</li> <li>✓ Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested</li> <li>☐ Overnight Mail</li> <li>☐ Facsimile:</li> <li>☐ Statehouse Mail</li> </ul>
Emily A. Mac Master Deputy Attorney General P.O. Box 83720 Boise, ID 83720-0010	☐ U.S. Mail ☐ Hand Delivery ☐ Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested ☐ Overnight Mail ☐ Facsimile: ☐ Statehouse Mail
	Tana Cory, Chief Bureau of Occupational Licenses